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SUBJECT: ANGOLA: TANZANIAN GOVERNMENT APPEAL TO U.S.  
REF: LUSAKA 2491 (NODIS)

1. IN AFTERMATH DEC. 14 KAUNDA, NYERERE, MACHEL MEETING  
IN DAR, WORKING LEVEL OF TANGOV FONOFF, PRESUMABLY ON  
INSTRUCTION PRESIDENT NYERERE, MADE APPEAL TO EMBASSY DAR  
ALONG FOLLOWING LINES.

2. TANGOV BELIEVES USG HOLDS KEY TO PEACEFUL SOLUTION OF  
ANGOLAN PROBLEM. IF U.S. CEASED SUPPORT TO FNLA/UNITA,  
RESTRAINED MOBUTU FROM FURTHER INTERVENTION IN ANGOLA AND  
APPLIED PUBLIC PRESSURE ON SOUTH AFRICANS TO WITHDRAW  
BACK ACROSS THEIR BORDER, TANZANIA, ZAMBIA AND OTHER AFRI-  
CAN GOVERNMENTS COULD INDUCE NETO SIMULTANEOUSLY TO REFUSE  
FURTHER SOVIET ASSISTANCE AND EXPEL CUBAN AND OTHER  
FOREIGN HELPERS.

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3. RE SOVIET INFLUENCE ON MPLA, TANGOV OFFICIAL SAID

NYERERE AND OTHER AFRICAN LEADERS WERE INCREASINGLY CONCERNED THAT ANGOLA SITUATION WAS DETERIORATING. MPLA LEADER NETO IS MARXIST AND INCLINED TOWARD RUSSIANS BECAUSE OF ASSISTANCE THEY HAVE GIVEN HIM. NYERERE'S AND OTHERS' PAST JUDGMENT HAD BEEN THAT NETO'S NATIONALISM WOULD BE STRONGER THAN HIS SENSE OF GRATITUDE TOWARD RUSSIANS AFTER HE WON CONTROL OF COUNTRY. HOWEVER, IF

FIGHTING CONTINUES AND NETO DEFEATS FNLA/UNITA ONLY BECAUSE OF MASSIVE SOVIET MILITARY ASSISTANCE, HIS FEELING OF CONGRUENCE OF PURPOSE WITH SOVIETS COULD PROVIDE THEM WITH A MUCH STRONGER AND MORE INFLUENTIAL POSITION THAN ANYONE HAD HERETOFORE ANTICIPATED. NYERERE BELIEVES IT IMPORTANT TO END FIGHTING NOW BEFORE NETO BECOMES TOO LOCKED IN SOVIET EMBRACE.

4. ON ZAIRE ROLE TANGOV OFFICIAL SAID NYERERE AND OTHERS ARE CONCERNED AT STABILITY OF ZAIRE ONCE BODIES OF SOLDIERS KILLED IN ANGOLA ARE RETURNED HOME, WOUNDED ARE SEEN ON STREETS AND MAIMED SERVICEMEN RETURNED TO THEIR VILLAGES. MOBUTU'S DESIRE HAVE BROTHER-IN-LAW ROBERTO (SIC) AS PRESIDENT OF NEIGHBORING ANGOLA UNDERSTANDABLE IN AFRICAN TERMS. HOWEVER, ZAIREAN ARMY AND PEOPLE LIKELY TO REACT STRONGLY AGAINST MOBUTU WHEN PRICE IN BLOOD BECOMES VISIBLE IN WHAT IS AN ATTEMPT TO EXTEND RATHER THAN DEFEND ZAIREAN INTERESTS.

5. RE OAU MEETING, TANGOV FAVORS EARLIEST POSSIBLE MEETINGS IN ORDER TO DEAL WITH WORSENING ANGOLA SITUATION BUT MUST, OF COURSE, ABIDE BY AFRICAN CONSENSUS AS TO SCHEDULING. OAU GATHERING WILL EASILY UNANIMOUSLY CONDEMN SOUTH AFRICAN INVASION. TANGOV THOUGHT REASONABLE OUTCOME OF OAU GATHERING WOULD BE TO CALL ON MPLA AS RECOGNIZED GOVERNMENT OF ANGOLA TO FORM GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL UNITY WITH FNLA AND UNITA. KEY TO SUCCESS OF THIS EFFORT FOR GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL UNITY WOULD BE PRIOR US INITIATIVE AND PRIOR AGREEMENT BY NETO TO DEPARTURE OF SOVIETS AND CESSATION THEIR ARMS SHIPMENTS.

6. IN VIEW REFTTEL WE ARE PASSING ABOVE INFO TO LUSAKA  
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WHICH AMBASSADOR MAY USE IN DISCUSSION WITH KAUNDA AND/OR CHONA.

7. WHILE WE WANT EMBASSY DAR TO KNOW THAT EMBASSY LUSAKA HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED TO DISCUSS TANGOV APPROACH WITH TOP-LEVEL ZAMBIAN OFFICIALS, EMBASSY DAR SHOULD NOT, OF COURSE, SO INFORM TANGOV.

8. ALL MESSAGES ON THIS SUBJECT IN FUTURE SHOULD BE SUBMITTED IN NODIS CHANNEL. KISSINGER

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